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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ) Confirmation No.: 5731  
LIMITING THE MOVEMENT OF A )  
ROBOT, AND A ROBOT )  
EQUIPPED WITH SAID )  
APPARATUS )

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